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SEWER BILLING NEW LOOK, NEW PAYMENT OPTIONS COMING IN AUGUST

Big changes are coming to you as the North Lebanon Township Municipal Authority makes the transition to a new computer program for our sewer billing needs. We will be switching to a cloud-based program offered through MuniBilling that we're confident will give our customers many of the options they've been requesting.

MuniBilling was initially developed by a Reading-area accounting firm in response to a client's request for more streamlined and user-friendly way to accomplish utility billing. It proved to be so successful they decided to market it to others, and they now have satisfied users across the nation. We took the time to speak with other MuniBilling customers, all of whom assured us they were VERY happy with the product, including the initial startup all the way through to customer service. Not to mention, our operating costs will be less than our current software package and maintenance fees. Hmm, easier to use, less expensive, online payments options and bill viewing . . . how could we say no. The result – a new billing program and a more secure notification process.

We are hopeful this will be a seamless transition, and the only change to our customers will be a new look to your quarterly bill. It will no longer be a postcard-style bill. **You will now receive a sealed envelope which will contain your sewer bill and a return envelope.** The statement/bill will have a tear off section (remittance stub) for you to return with your payment in the included return envelope. The other section is your statement and is for you to keep for your records. This will help to eliminate lost or damaged postcards and will also keep your information confidential.

Another exciting option being provided to customers who choose to take advantage of it will be an online customer portal. Here you can elect to sign up for e-billing rather than getting your bill by traditional mail. You will also be able to review your account online, check your current balance and see your most recent payments. This feature will only allow access to information specific to your account; therefore your account info is secure from viewing by others.

Perhaps the most welcome feature for many customers will be the new payment options which will be available. You will now be able to make payments online via credit card or check, or set up your account to pay automatically from your credit card or checking account. There will be a small convenience fee charged to the customer for each of these options. We felt it best to have each individual customer pay the fee rather than charge everyone for a service they may or may not utilize. This way only those who take advantage of this convenience will be charged. These fees are established by MuniBilling and are subject to change at their discretion.

This is an exciting and challenging time as we switch over to the new program. We are all committed to working together. With patience and grace, it should bring improvement for everyone. We are confident this endeavor will be good for everyone. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at the Township at 273-7132.

Many thanks to Godshall's Quality Meats/ Weaver's-Kutztown Bologna Co. for their generous donation of 16 evergreen trees which we planted at our Community Park on the corner of N. 7th Street and N. 8th Avenue.



Are you planning a family reunion? What about a group picnic? Your Township has several pavilions available for rent to hold your function. It is a great opportunity to visit one of our parks and enjoy the outdoors. We recently upgraded & renovated the pavilion/kitchen at Lions Lake. We have playgrounds, walking paths, full service pavilions with kitchen amenities, and bathroom facilities.



Call the office today to reserve your spot. 273-7132



Recycling in North Lebanon Township

All residents within the Township **are required to recycle**. All licensed haulers within the Township are required to pick up at least twice a month the following recyclables curbside:

- Aluminum, steel & bi-metal cans
- Clear, brown, green glass bottles and jars
- #1 thru #7 plastic bottles & jugs

Some haulers will collect newspapers and cardboard.

Please check with your hauler for collection schedule. A container for these items is available at the Township office free of charge.



Windy Days—Pick Up Your Garbage

When a windy day comes along, please remember to use the water tight lid that accompanied your recycle bin. If the lid blows off in blustery weather try putting something heavy on the lid. It is the responsibility of the owner or lessee of the property to keep all garbage, refuse, or other materials within the receptacle at all times, and such the owner or lessee shall immediately clean up any garbage, refuse, or other items which have blown or spilled outside of their containers. Per NLT Solid Waste Ordinance, Sub Section 109, Item 7.

LENNI LENAPE PARK



Consider adopting a tree in memory of a loved one. We still have 23 trees available for "adoption". You can choose from 9 varieties of trees; Dogwoods, Linden, Maples, and Oaks. The cost is \$300 per tree. You can also purchase a plaque from our pre-approved designs and we will install the plaque free of charge.

Brochures and information are available on the NLT website or at the Township's office.



Disc golf sponsorships are also available.



Office Closed
Independence Day - July 4, 2016
Labor Day - Sept. 5, 2016

When to Make your Check Payable to North Lebanon Township (NLT) versus North Lebanon Township Municipal Authority (NLTMA)

NLT and NLT Municipal Authority are two different entities.

NLTMA deals with all the sewer issues in the township and NLT deals with everything else.

So, when writing out checks make sure you are writing it to the correct entity. Take extra care and verify the amount written out (Thirty Five Dollars) matches the dollar amount (\$ 35.00). Please write legible and be sure to sign your check. These errors and omissions may result in the bank rejecting your check. The end result will be late fees and returned check fees for you.

Looking To Serving As A Volunteer

The North Lebanon Township Fire Police are looking for responsible persons to join the Fire Police.

How do you qualify?

- ✓ Be a good citizen and of good reputation
- ✓ Be at least 18 years of age
- ✓ Join a local Fire Company (required by law)
- ✓ Complete an application
- ✓ Be sworn in by the Board of Supervisors

The North Lebanon Township Fire Police are supervised by the Police Department and are subject to be called to an emergency at any time.

The Fire Police are responsible for controlling traffic at the scene of fires, traffic accidents, natural disasters, community events, etc.

If you think you might be interested in serving as a Fire Police Officer call Lt. Ed Minford at 717-274-2376 or stop by the police station at 725 Kimmerlings Rd., Lebanon, Pa 17046.



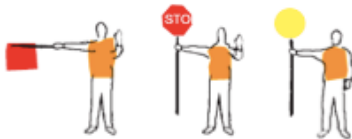
**We will be paving Jay Street
this summer from Route 72
to Sandhill Road.**

Expect delays, especially during peak travel times.

**We ask everyone to please observe signs,
flaggers, and workers on the road.**

Stay alert and drive with caution.

Help keep our workers safe!



**Only fireworks sold by
local venders are
legal for display. Use
of illegal fireworks will
be strictly enforced.**



Officer Nelson Sweigart Named the Lebanon County Officer Of The Year

The Lebanon County Fraternal Order of Police honored Officer Nelson Sweigart by naming him as the County's Officer of the Year. The award was a result of Officer Nelson's action on February 11, 2015. His quick response to a possible armed robbery at the Hess Station along the 2100 block of W. Cumberland St. His actions on this date resulted in the arrest of the suspect. Officer Sweigart's vigilance enabled the clearance of several robberies throughout Lebanon County.

Congratulations to Nelson!

Nelson represents the character and dedication of the Township's Police Dept.'s goal of keeping our citizens safe.



**Please remember, if
you are having mulch
delivered it should be
“dumped” on your
property and NOT within the
street or road right-of-way.**

Mowing - A reminder to our residents, when mowing your lawn please **DO NOT DISPOSE** of grass clippings in nearby storm water inlets or trenches. Do not blow grass into the street. All this does is encourage the growth of algae in local streams which depletes the oxygen in the water and impacts fish and other aquatic species. If you choose not to leave your clippings on your lawn, compost them or bring them to NLT Yard Waste Facility. The Yard Waste Facility fee is \$35 per calendar year.





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FIRE COMPANY NEWS



There are 4 VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES working to keep NLT properties safe. Volunteer men and women firefighters are needed. Interested persons should contact any Fire Company member. If interested in Fire Police contact the NLT Police Dept.

EBENEZER FIRE CO.

273-2361

442 Ebenezer Rd.

Email: ebenezer@ebenezerfire.com

Our Signboard lists scheduled activities.

GLENN LEBANON FIRE CO.

865-3948

42 Glenn Lebanon Dr.

Email: glennlebanonfireco.com

SMOKE FREE!!! Wed. Night Bingo—doors open @ 4:45p.m. and Bingo starts @ 6:45p.m.

RURAL SECURITY FIRE CO.

273-4472

1301 N. 7th Street

Email: ruralsecurityfire.com

Reflective address signs may be ordered by phoning the fire Co.

WEAVERTOWN FIRE CO.

228-2827

Suzy Street

Bingo-Held in Social Building on Monday and Thursday nights.

Doors open at 4:45 p.m. and Bingo starts at 6:45p.m.

THANKS FOR ALL THE SUPPORT OF NORTH LEBANON TWP. RESIDENTS, BINGO PATRONS, AND ALL OUR DEDICATED VOLUNTEER STAFF. YOUR SUPPORT KEEPS VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES OPERATING!!!